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Dear Dr. Vengosh,

Thank you for agreeing to review the EPA interim research report entitled "*Investigation of Ground-Water Contamination near Pavillion, Wyoming*" by Dominic C. DiGiulio and Richard T. Wilkin. As you are aware, the primary purpose of this review is to provide a thorough, independent, critical review of this study and its findings prior to the release of the report for public review. We are very interested in receiving your thoughts on the approach, analysis, interpretation, and conclusions regarding the characterization and evaluation of ground-water quality data collected at Pavillion, Wyoming. Please remember that all materials related to this review are confidential and should not be disclosed to anyone outside of this review process.

I have included a technical manuscript review form for your use. Upon completion of the review, please return the review form to me electronically or via the mail. You should also destroy any review materials that are not returned. If at all possible, we would appreciate your response by October 21, 2011.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David G. Jewett", is written over a horizontal line.

David G. Jewett
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Enclosure:
Technical Manuscript Review Form
Self-Addressed Envelope
cc: Dominic DiGiulio